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Mayor Ashley Swearengin 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721

Dear Mayor Swearengin:

Pursuant to the City's status as a Certified Local Government (CLG) in a formal agreement with the California State Office of Historic Preservation and the National Park Service, the City's Historic Preservation Commission has prepared the following report regarding the nomination of the Fresno Fulton Mall to the National Register of Historic Places.

The nomination was prepared by a non-profit group, the Downtown Fresno Coalition and is slated for hearing by the State Historical Resources Commission on April 30, 2010.

The Historic Preservation Commission under both the CLG agreement as well as FMC 12-1606(12) has the specific charge of finding "whether or not such a property, in its opinion, meets the criteria for the National Register."

At a special meeting of the Commission held April 5th, the Commission reviewed the nomination, pertinent other materials and took public testimony. The Commission adopted the following three resolutions:

1) Finds the Fulton Mall eligible to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C and Special Criteria Consideration G (on a 4-1 vote with two absences).

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- 2) Does not recommend nomination of the Fulton Mall at this time (5-0).
- 3) Recommends treatment of the Fulton Mall with respect to its overall historic context and within the current Fulton Corridor Specific Plan process (5-0).

Please convey this report with your recommendations to the State Historic Preservation Officer, Milford Wayne Donaldson FAIA, as requested in his letter of February 25, 2010.

Sincerely,

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Historic Preservation Project Manager

Secretary, Historic Preservation Commission

City of Fresno